

THE SMALL WORRIES OF LIFE.

Men and women meet the small troubles of life very differently. In the first place, a woman often lacks that sense of proportion which is necessary to distinguish the lesser from the greater life; to her, all troubles are of the greatest magnitude, and to be mourned equally. The failure of a new dress, or of a dinner party, are calamities over which she will sometimes worry herself into a fever. Most men would meet similar troubles with a shrug of the shoulders, and then speedily forget them. Then, a man, a woman does not forget easily, and is given to brooding; nor is she so swift to run away from her trou-

bles as a man is. Indeed, she cannot be easily induced to run away from them at all; the contemplation of them has a fatal fascination for her. In any small misfortune which falls equally upon husband and wife, in nine cases out of ten where the man resolutely refuses to remember it and hastens to turn his thoughts into some other channel, the woman will seem to take almost a perverse pleasure in recalling it to her mind and reflecting upon its actual and possible consequences. Much of this difference in their demeanor is, of course, due to the difference of their life. A man can easily run out of doors and seek distraction, whereas a woman's lot is to remain at home and think. Indeed, we should

say that very much was owing to the greater opportunity that a woman possesses of contemplating her worries and brooding over them. Yet it is hardly fair to assume that because a woman appears to be more affected by small worries than her husband has more to bear. There are plenty of small worries outside those of the house, which last, we admit, fall mostly to the woman's share—indeed, in the actual sharing of these little woes, we should say, that the man generally suffers of the worse, for when the cook is impatient, or a chimney smokes, the master of the house is almost always called in to lend his aid and sympathy, whereas he can hardly count upon much help or sympathy from his wife when

his own soul is vexed by the short-comings of his clerk or the stupidity of his groom. The ill of which we have been speaking are those accidental ones which affect the mind and not the body. When it comes to questions of the minor ill that affect the body, the case is entirely reversed. Here a woman will show an infinitely greater and more admirable patience than a man does, and while he rages impotently against some small ache or pain, she will suffer in the most placid and resigned silence. It is certainly curious how differently the small worries of mind and body affect the two sexes. In the case of the former, the manly mental worries, a man's natural impatience, of suffering comes

really to his aid. He at once assures himself that the matter cannot be helped or remedied, and therefore that it is of no use troubling himself over it; he resigns himself to the inevitable, or rather, to what he chooses to consider as inevitable, and successfully ignores it, to forget it and think of something else. A woman's patience rather tends to herway. She cannot bring herself to think that the matter is inevitable, and even though she can see no possible remedy, she will still trouble and vex herself with the vain effort to right the wrong. She is prone to ruminate, and she has been ill and unjustly treated. Take the absurdly small case of an extortionate cabman. A man, who should be far better able to cope with him, impatiently throws him the extra shilling, and refuses to bother himself about such a ridiculous sum. A woman's whole soul is up in arms at the idea of the injustice that is being done to her, and nothing will induce her to take another step from her well-laid horse. This attitude of hers, of course, is partly due to the fact that she has a better understanding of the value of shillings, but it is a good deal more due to her keener sense of justice, whereas she is content, and her patient determination to accept nothing less than justice. A man will sit quiet under a misconception which is unimportant, and affects neither his honour nor his reputation. Hardly ever can a woman bring herself to do that; she would rather worry herself to death than allow her friends to remain unrighted. Under what is really inevitable, she is most patient—and a man is very often most impatient. Under what is not inevitable, she is most patient; under what is inevitable, she is most impatient. Under what is not inevitable, she is most patient; under what is inevitable, she is most impatient.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday, 4 p.m., 27th February, 1892.

STOCKS.	Capital.	No. of Shares.	Paid-up.	Reserve & Working Account.	Last Dividend and when paid.	Closing Quotations.
Banks.						
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$ 10,000,000	80,000	\$ 125	\$ 3,300,000	30/- for 1-year ending 30/6/91, Aug. 24, 91	165 1/2 prem., sellers
Bank of China, Japan & Straits	\$ 1,000,000	100,000	\$ 25	\$ 100,000	1/- per share, Feb. 14, 91	\$11, sales & sellers
Do. New Issue	\$ 1,000,000	100,000	\$ 1	\$ 2,111,150	28, February 14, 91	\$10 1/2, sellers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000	100,000	\$ 1	\$ 1,000,000	First year.	45 1/2 dis.—\$15.54, sales
Do. Do. (Founders)	\$ 1,000,000	100,000	\$ 1	\$ 1,000,000	First year.	\$130, buyers
Marine Insurance.						
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	\$ 2,500,000	10,000	\$ 25	\$ 800,000	25 per cent. for 1890, Oct. 12, 91	\$94, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000	20,000	\$ 25	\$ 700,000	18 per cent. for year ending 31/4/90, Sept. 18, 91	\$61, sellers
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000	10,000	\$ 25	\$ 300,000	10 per cent. for 1889	Tis. 200, sellers
Yongtong Insur. Association, Ltd.	\$ 800,000	8,000	\$ 100	\$ 450,131.46	\$5 per share for 1889, March 12, 90	\$103, buyers
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	\$ 2,500,000	10,000	\$ 25	\$ 550,000	Int. div. of 10% for 1891, paid Jan. 4, 92	\$104, sellers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 3,000,000	30,000	\$ 25	\$ 25,000	5 per cent. for year ending 31/12/90, July 4, 91	\$143, buyers
Fire Insurance.						
Hongkong Fire Insur. Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000	8,000	\$ 25	\$ 1,000,000	\$18 per share for 1889, March 9, 91	\$310, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000	20,000	\$ 25	\$ 775,000	50 per cent. for 1890, Feb. 20, 92	\$84 ex div., buyers
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 2,000,000	20,000	\$ 25	\$ 100,000	5 per cent. for 1889, March 27, 91	\$17, sales
Singapore Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$ 3,000,000	30,000	\$ 25	\$ 37,500	5 per cent. for 1889, March 27, 91	\$9, sales
Shipping.						
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steam-boat Co., Limited	\$ 1,000,000	80,000	\$ 20	\$ 9,000	4 per cent. for 1-year ending 31/12/91, Feb. 1, 92	\$363, sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Limited	\$ 1,200,000	60,000	\$ 10	\$ 200,000	2 1/2 per cent. for 1890, June 1, 91	25 1/2 discount, buyers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 250,000	6,000	\$ 40	\$ 25,000	5 per cent. for year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 28, 91	\$40
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000	20,000	\$ 50	\$ 300,000	5 per cent. for year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 28, 91	\$38
China Mutual S. N. Co.	\$ 400,000	20,000	\$ 10	\$ 20,000	Int. div. of 2% prem. for 6 months to 30/6/91, October 14 and 24, 1891	\$10, nominal
Do. Do. New Issue	\$ 100,000	2,000	\$ 10	\$ 10,000	3 per cent. for 1-year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 1, 91	\$50, sellers
Berthouses.						
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,500,000	15,000	\$ 100	\$ 1,500,000	Int. div. \$5 per share, Aug. 28, 91	\$168, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 700,000	7,000	\$ 100	\$ 700,000	\$5 per share for 1890, March 28, 91	\$56, nominal
Mining.						
Panjin Don Samatun Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 500,000	60,000	\$ 10	\$ 500,000	7 per cent. 1-year ending 5/8/91, Oct. 16, 91	\$2, sellers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	\$ 4,000,000	8,000	\$ 500	\$ 4,000,000	Int. div. \$5 per share, Aug. 28, 91	\$350, sales
Selams Tin Mining Company, Limited	\$ 575,000	115,000	\$ 5	\$ 575,000	40 cents, sellers	\$1, buyers
Imuris Mines Limited	\$ 200,000	20,000	\$ 10	\$ 200,000	First year	\$71, nominal
Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 180,000	18,000	\$ 10	\$ 180,000	7 per cent. 1-year ending 5/8/91, Oct. 16, 91	\$6, sellers
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 225,000	45,000	\$ 5	\$ 225,000	7 per cent. 1-year ending 5/8/91, Oct. 16, 91	75 cents, sellers
Raub Australian Syndicate, Ltd.	\$ 1,000,000	1,000,000	\$ 1	\$ 1,000,000	30% dis., sellers	
Société Française des Houillères de Touraine	\$ 4,000,000	4,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,000,000	30% dis., sellers	
Docks, Wharves & Godowns.						
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 1,662,500	12,500	\$ 135	\$ 1,662,500	7 per cent. 1-year ending, Aug. 25, 91	87% prem., sales and sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	\$ 1,000,000	20,000	\$ 50	\$ 1,000,000	Final div. 3 per cent.—7 per cent. per ann., 1891, paid 8th Feb., 1892	\$59
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Limited	\$ 207,000	2,070	\$ 100	\$ 207,000	3 1/2 per cent. for year ending 31/12/91, paid 28/1/92	\$49
Land, Hotels & Buildings.						
Hongkong Land Investment Co., Agency Company, Ltd.	\$ 5,000,000	50,000	\$ 100	\$ 5,000,000	Final dividend of 82 1/2 per share, making total of \$22,400.61	\$70, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd.	\$ 300,000	5,000	\$ 60	\$ 300,000	5 1/2 per cent. for 1891, Jan. 26, 92	\$11, buyers
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 625,000	12,500	\$ 50	\$ 625,000	60 cents, July 20, 91	\$25, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited	\$ 300,000	6,000	\$ 50	\$ 300,000	4 per cent. for 1-year ending 30/6/91	\$50, sellers
Amoy Arms Hotel & Buildings Company, Limited	\$ 200,000	4,000	\$ 50	\$ 200,000	14 per cent. for 1890, April 17, 91	\$73, sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Ltd.	\$ 100,000	1,000	\$ 100	\$ 100,000	14 per cent. for 1890, April 17, 91	\$200, nominal
Do. New Issue	\$ 150,000	1,500	\$ 100	\$ 150,000	14 per cent. for 1890, April 17, 91	\$200, nominal
Miscellaneous.						
Green Island Cement Company Limited	\$ 1,000,000	20,000	\$ 50	\$ 1,000,000	10 per cent. for 1890, April 1, 91	\$10, nominal
China-Borneo Co., Ltd., in liq.	\$ 750,000	7,500	\$ 100	\$ 750,000	10 per cent. for 1890, April 1, 91	\$10, nominal
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 500,000	50,000	\$ 10	\$ 500,000	Int. Div., 7 per cent. for 1891, Nov. 5, 91	\$183, sellers
Hongkong Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 400,000	4,000	\$ 100	\$ 400,000	5 per cent. for 1890, April 1, 91	100 nominal
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	\$ 300,000	3,000	\$ 100	\$ 300,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$35, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 300,000	30,000	\$ 10	\$ 300,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$43, sales
Labak Planting Co., Limited	\$ 250,000	5,000	\$ 50	\$ 250,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$2, sellers
Hongkong & China Cold Storage Co., Limited	\$ 70,000	7,000	\$ 10	\$ 70,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$120, sellers
H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 150,000	3,000	\$ 50	\$ 150,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$113, sales and buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	\$ 150,000	6,000	\$ 25	\$ 150,000	7 per cent. for 1890, March 11, 91	\$15, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co., Limited	\$ 125,000	6,000	\$ 25	\$ 125,000	24 per cent. for 1891, paid Feb. 12, 1892	\$75, sales
Hongkong High-Level Tramway Company, Limited	\$ 125,000	1,250	\$ 100	\$ 125,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$60, sellers
Hongkong Brick and Cement Company, Limited	\$ 100,000	4,000	\$ 25	\$ 100,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$10, nominal
Dairy Farm Co., Limited	\$ 100,000	10,000	\$ 10	\$ 100,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$8, nominal
Cimikshank & Co., Limited	\$ 80,000	1,600	\$ 50	\$ 80,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$10, nominal
H'kong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 30,000	600	\$ 50	\$ 30,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$80, nominal
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	\$ 12,000	1,200	\$ 10	\$ 12,000	Int. div., \$2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	\$6, nominal

Loans to Imperial Chinese Government.	Agents for the Loan.	Amount of Loan.	Par Value of Bonds.	Outstanding Bonds.	When Payable.	Closing Quotations.
Chinese Imperial Govt. 2% Silver Loan 1894	H.K. & S'hai Banking Co.	\$1,594,700 Hongkong Currency.	\$500 H'kong Currency.	679	16 Oct. each year until 1899	\$98 1/2, buyers
Chinese Imperial Govt. 7% Silver Loan 1898	Do.	Shanghai Tls. 767,200.	Shanghai Tls. 250.	2,915	31st March and 30th Sept. each year until 31st Mar. 1917.	Tls. 275, buyers
Debentures.						
H.K. Hotel Co. 6% Mortgage Debentures 1889	Do.	\$200,000	\$100	600	Half yearly, on 19th April and 19th October.	\$500
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. 5 1/2% Debentures of 1891	Do.	\$100,000	\$50	2,000	Half yearly, on 1st April and 1st October.	\$250, sellers
China Merchants S. N. Co. 7% Mortgage Debentures	Do.	\$200,000	\$100	1,800	Quarterly up to 1st Sept. 95	\$101, buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin 5% Debentures	The Company	\$600,000	\$100	6,000	1895 or earlier at option of Co. on 6 months' notice	\$100
G. I. Cement Co. 8% Mortgage Debentures	Do.	\$50,000	\$100	All	30th June and 31st Dec.	\$100

(*) Equalization of Dividend Fund. (†) Depreciation and Insurance Fund. (‡) Reserve and Depreciation Fund. (§) Fixed Reserve Fund.

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SPECIAL ONLY LONDON AT PLYMOUTH.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 26th March, 1892, at Noon, the Company's S.S. CALEDONIAN, Commandant FLAVIN, with MALES, PASSENGERS, PROTECTOR, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG: On Wednesday, 27th March, at 10 a.m. City of Peking, to SATURDAY, April 16, Honolulu.

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Hongkong, February 19, 1892.

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